REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 66 and 69-72 are currently being amended.

Claims 98 and 99 are being added.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 11-15 and 22-99 are now pending in this application of which Claims 11, 24, 39, 66, 75, 80, 94, 98, and 99 are independent.

New Claims

A. Claim 98

Claim 98 includes all of the elements of previously allowed Claim 39 and is believed to be in condition for allowance for at least the same reasons as previously allowed Claim 39.

Claim 98 is supported in the specification at the same places as Claim 39, and additionally at paragraphs [0079] and [0085].

B. Claim 99

Claim 99 includes all of the elements of previously allowed Claim 66 and is believed to be in condition for allowance for at least the same reasons as previously allowed Claim 66.

Claim 99 is supported in the specification at the same places as Claim 66, and additionally at paragraphs [0079] and [0085].

Conclusion

Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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